GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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FDI IN NH PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in construction and maintenance of National Highways; and

(b) if so, the details of the project identified for the purpose and the status of work undertaken in this regard alongwith the targets fixed for the purpose during 2008-09 and 2009-10?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) Yes, Sir. Foreign Direct Investment is permitted in construction and maintenance of National Highways. All Projects under NHDP are awarded on the basis of International Competitive Bidding.

(b) The details of FDI projects awarded are enclosed as Annexure-I. No specific target has been fixed separately for FDI as all Projects are awarded on the basis of competitive bidding.